

Research Infrastructures in H2020

Esther Rodríguez Blanco, RI NCP

Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 18/02/2020

Table of Contents

- I. Research Infrastructures in Europe
- II. Calls for proposals WP2020
 - I. Opportunities for RI projects
 - II. Services and transnational access for researchers
- III. Horizon Europe

Research Infrastructures

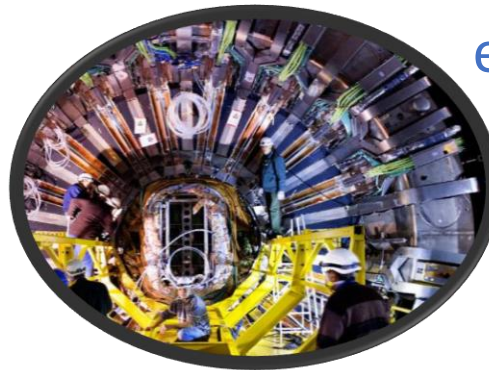
Research Infrastructures

- Research infrastructures are **facilities, resources and services** that are used by the research communities to conduct research and foster innovation.
- **Localización única.** Un único recurso en un único lugar.
Distribuidas. Una red de recursos distribuidos. **Virtuales.** El servicio es ofrecido electrónicamente

Knowledge-based
resources



Major scientific
equipments



e-infrastructures



Research Infrastructures

Intergovernmental Research Infrastructures.

- Infraestructuras de investigación bien establecidas respaldadas por los Estados miembros.

New Pan-European Research Infrastructures.

- Infraestructuras de investigación identificadas en el roadmap del European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructures (ESFRI)

National Research Infrastructures.

- La Comisión Europea promueve varias redes de infraestructuras de investigación nacionales y regionales abiertas a todos los investigadores europeos de la academia y la industria."Integrating Activity" projects (H2020).

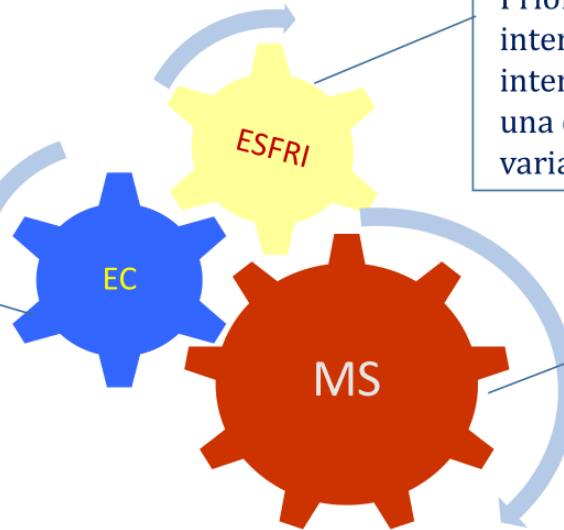
EU approach to RI

- To address collectively the **complexity and cost of the design** and development of new world class research infrastructures
- To **open access** to the research infrastructures existing in the individual Member State to all European researchers
- To **avoid duplication of efforts** and to coordinate and rationalise the use of these research infrastructures
- To trigger the exchange of best practice, develop **interoperability** of facilities and resources, develop the **training** of the next generation of researchers
- To **connect national research communities** and increase the overall quality of the research and innovation
- To help **pooling resources** so that the Union can also develop and operate research infrastructures globally

Stakeholders in RI policies

Actores en la definición de las políticas de RI.

A través del PT de Infraestructuras de Investigación
H2020



Foro de MS y AC+CE **Incubador proyectos**, utilizando el ejercicio de “Roadmapping”.
Prioriza aquellas **infrás únicas** de interés paneuropeo. Coordina los intereses de los Estados Miembros en una configuración de geometría variable

Compromiso de **recursos nacionales** para la construcción y sostenibilidad de las Infraestructuras de Investigación



ESFRI European Research Infrastructure Forum

- Instrumento estratégico para definir las políticas sobre infraestructuras de investigación en Europa, que busca facilitar iniciativas multilaterales desde 2002.
- Frente común ante la necesidad de:
 - Compartir recursos financieros y humanos.
 - Coordinación para evitar duplicidades.
 - Competir con otras economías
 - Coordinación de esfuerzos y estrategia europea común
- Define las estrategias para poder financiar los más de 20BM€ y los compromisos de largo plazo para la operación de las Infraestructuras.
- Bajo el mandato del Consejo de Competitividad de la Unión Europea, ESFR completó la Hoja de Ruta 2018 e inicia ahora el proceso de actualización de la Hoja de ruta que concluirá con HR 2021

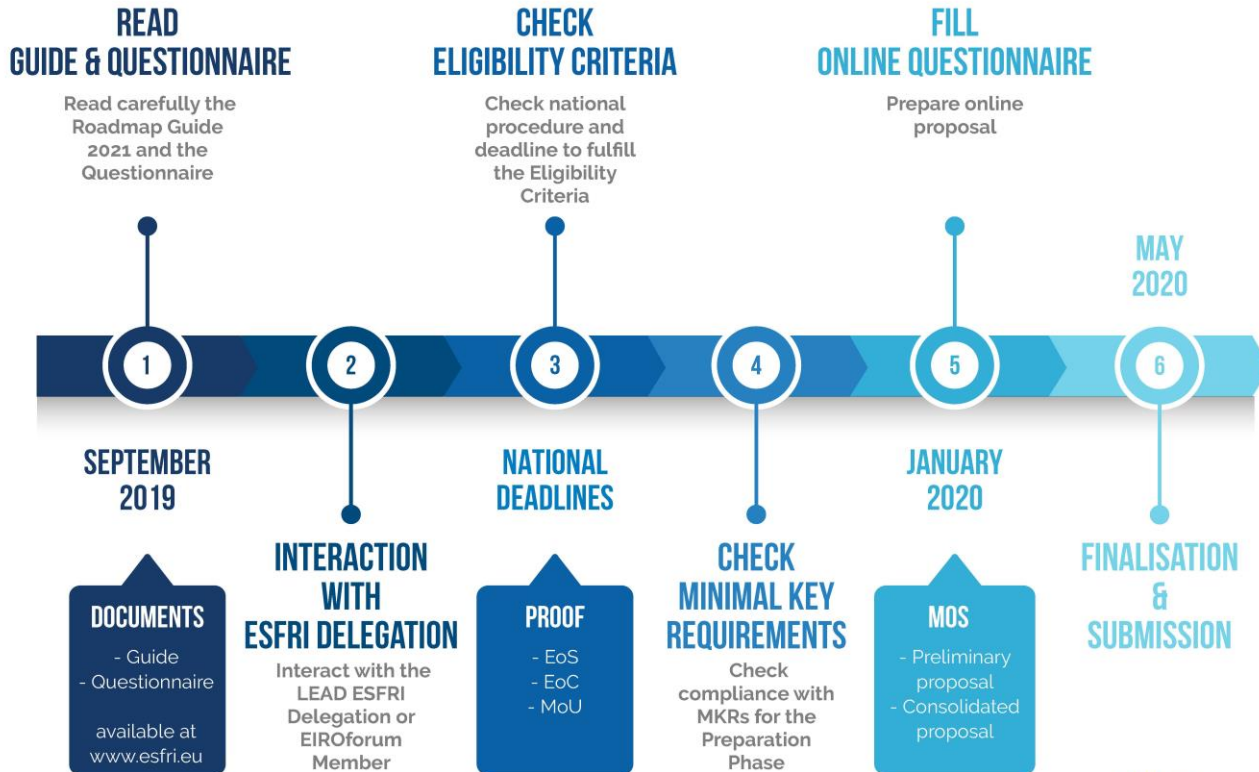
ESFRI Projects

- Son RIs en fase de preparación que han sido seleccionados por la excelencia de su caso científico y por su madurez, con una sólida expectativa de que el Proyecto entre en fase de ejecución en el plazo de diez años.

Se incluyen en la Hoja de Ruta para:

- Señalar la importancia estratégica que representan para el Espacio Europeo de Investigación,
- y para apoyar su implementación oportuna como nuevas RI o actualizaciones importantes de las RI existentes.
- Los proyectos pueden estar en diferentes etapas de su desarrollo hacia su implementación de acuerdo a su respectiva fecha de inclusión en la Hoja de Ruta.

NEW PROPOSAL SUBMISSION



ESFRI – BioMedical Sciences



- *biobanking & biomolecular resources*



- *curated databases*



- *highly pathogenic microorganisms*



- *functional genomics*



- *microorganisms*



- *translational research*



- *marine model organisms*



- *screening & medicinal chemistry*



- *structural biology*



- *clinical trials*



- *plant phenotyping*



- *biological/medical imaging*



- *systems biology*

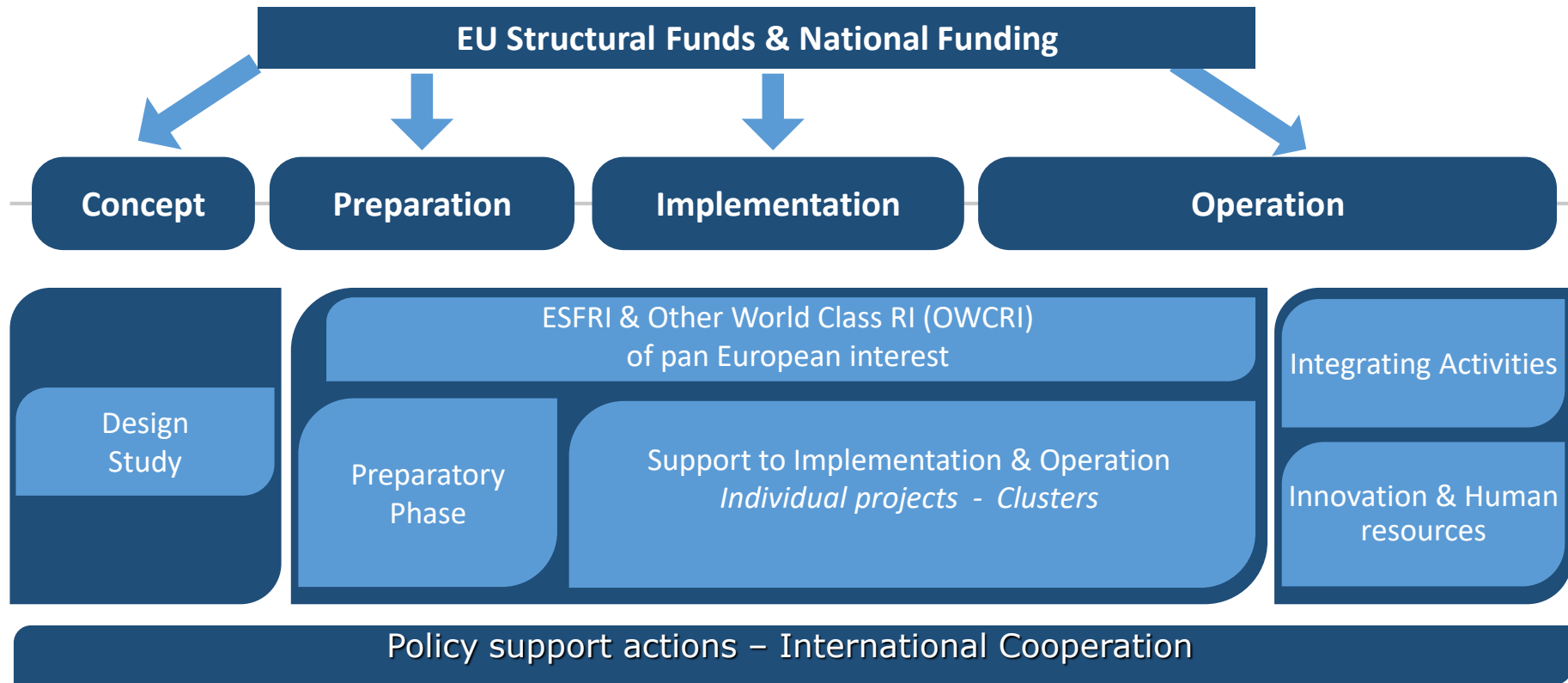
Services from basic to clinical research



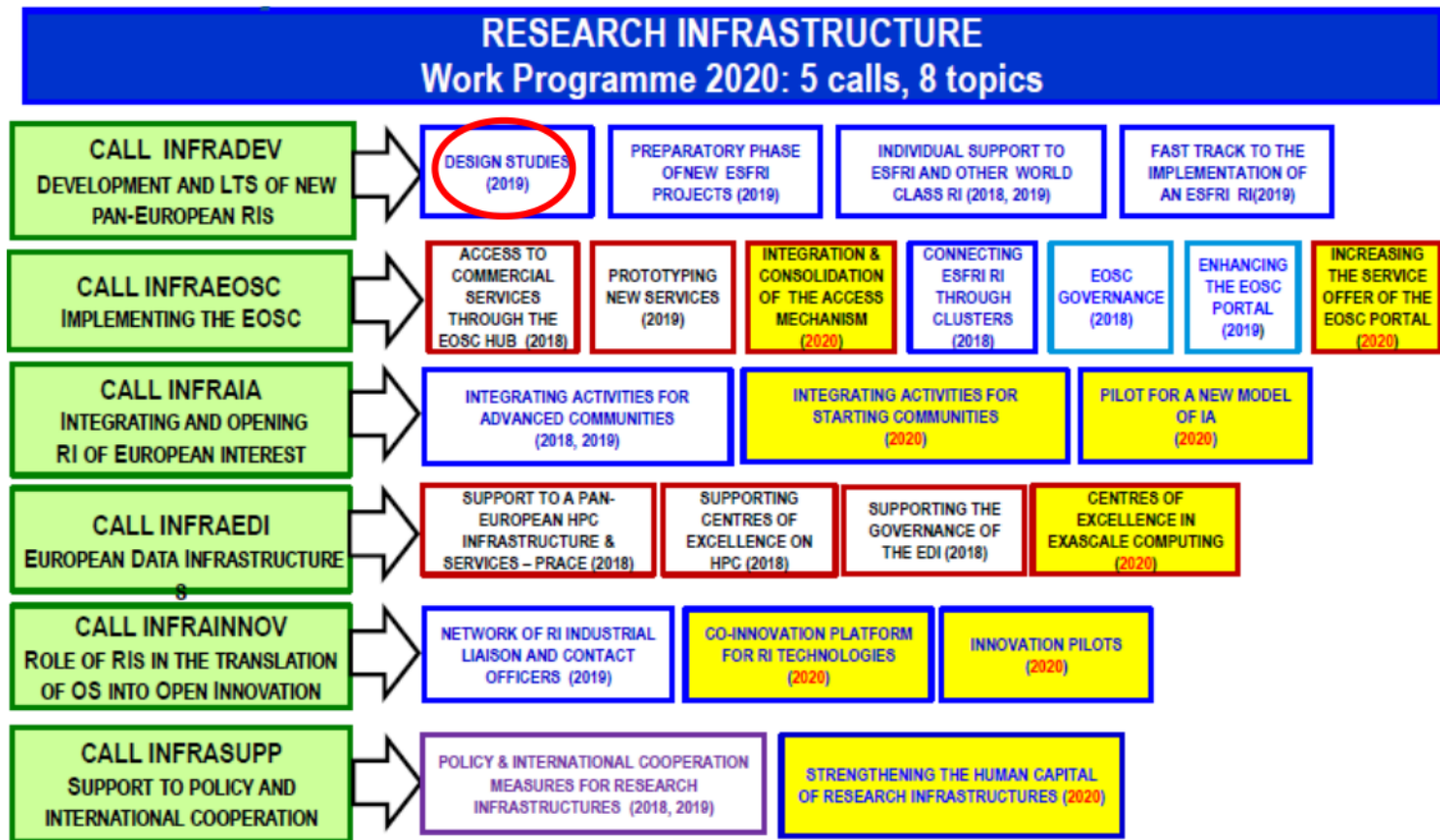
WP2020

Research Infrastructures in Horizon 2020

Research Infrastructures in H2020: Support along the whole cycle



WP2020: 5 calls, 8 topics, 2 DGs



Implementing the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)

The European Science Cloud (EOSC)



- The EOSC will offer 1.7 million European researchers and 70 million professionals in science, technology, the humanities and social sciences a virtual environment with open and seamless services for storage, management, analysis and re-use of research data, across borders and scientific disciplines by federating existing scientific data infrastructures, currently dispersed across disciplines and the EU Member States.
- The European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) initiative has been proposed in 2016 by the European Commission as part of the European Cloud Initiative to build a competitive data and knowledge economy in Europe. An extensive consultation with scientific and institutional stakeholders took place in 2016 and 2017. An engagement process was initiated with a first EOSC Summit in June 2017, resulting in the [EOSC Declaration](#) endorsed by more than 70 institutions. The summary outcome of the consultation was presented in March 2018 by the European Commission in the form of a roadmap for implementing the EOSC.

EOSC Implementation Roadmap

Architecture

Architecture of the federated infrastructures as the solution to the current fragmentation in research data infrastructures which are insufficiently interoperable.

Data

FAIR data management and tools. A common data language to ensure data stewardship across borders/disciplines based on FAIR principles.

Services

Available services from a user perspective. A rich environment offering a wide range of services covering the needs of the users.

Access & Interface

Mechanisms/interfaces for accessing EOSC. A simple way to deal with open data obligations, or to access research data across different disciplines.

Rules

Rules of participation for different EOSC actors. An opportunity to comply with existing legal and technical frameworks and increase legal certainty & trust.

Governance

Governance of the EOSC, aiming at ensuring EU leadership in data-driven science but requiring new governance frameworks.

Call Identifier: INFRAEOSC-03-2020

Name: Integration and consolidation of the existing pan-European access mechanism to public research infrastructures and commercial services through the EOSC Portal

Scope:

- The challenge is to consolidate and scale up the EOSC Portal and its underlying service platform.
- Proposals should address all together:
 - The operation, maintenance and enhancement of the EOSC Portal (the website)
 - The catalogue of services and the marketplace)
 - The fostering and enabling secure service composability
 - An user enhanced experience using Artificial Intelligence (AI) techniques
 - The widening of the EOSC user base
 - The widening of the service offer with commercial services

Built on previous topics outcomes' (INFRAEOSC-2019-2018)
EOSC Hub, OpenAire, EOSC Portal

Total Budget: 40.9 M€



Contribution per project: Up to 40.9 M€



Opening date: 19 November 2019



Deadline: 22 April 2020



Type of Action: Research & Innovation Action (RIA)

Call Identifier: **INFRAEOSC-07-2020**

Name: Increasing the service offer of the EOSC Portal

Scope:

- In order to coordinate the provision through the EOSC Portal of state-of-the-art research purely enabling services across Europe, proposals should build on the competences of pan-European e-Infrastructures of diverse domains to ensure multidisciplinary research and synergies with national and regional programmes.
- Six areas have been established:
 - **(A1) Distributed and cloud computing resources**
 - **(A2) Data services**
 - **(A3) Services supporting scholarly communication and open access**
 - **(A4) Above the net services**
 - **(A5) Services and resources from non-research public sector data providers**
 - **(A6) Additional research enabling services**

Total Budget: 24 M€



Contribution per project:



- Area A1 – 8 M€
- Area A2 – 7 M€
- Area A3 – 4 M€
- Area A4 – 2 M€
- Area A5 – 1 M€
- Area A6 – 2 M€

Opening date: 19 November 2019



Deadline: 22 April 2020



Type of Action: Research & Innovation Action (RIA)

Integrating and opening Research Infrastructures of European interest

Call Identifier: INFRAIA-02-2020

Name: Integrating Activities for Starting Communities

Scope:

- The aim is to bring together, integrate on European scale, and open up key national and regional research infrastructures to all European researchers, from both academia and industry, ensuring their optimal use and joint development.
- An Integrating Activity will mobilise a comprehensive consortium of several key research infrastructures in a given field as well as other stakeholders (e.g. public authorities, technological partners, research institutions).
- An Integrating Activity shall combine:
 - Networking activities
 - Trans-national access or virtual access activities
 - Joint research activities

Total Budget: 115 M€



Contribution per project: Up to 5 M€



Opening date: 28 November 2019



Deadline: 17 March 2020



Type of Action: Research & Innovation Action (RIA)

Scope

- Para comunidades de RI que no han sido financiadas en programas anteriores
- Énfasis en networking, standarización, procedimiento común de acceso, complementariedad y coherencia con las RIs existentes
- Especial énfasis en la sostenibilidad, la ampliación, las habilidades, la innovación y la gestión de datos según EOSC

Evaluation Criteria

For the criterion Excellence, in addition to its standard sub-criteria, the following aspects will also be taken into account;

- The extent to which the proposal integrates the related community and ensures complementarity and coherence with the existing European Research Infrastructures landscape, including ESFRI infrastructures and existing integrating activities for advanced communities.
- The extent to which the Networking Activities will foster a culture of co-operation between the participants and other relevant stakeholders.
- The extent to which the Access Activities (Trans-national Access and/or Virtual activities) will offer access to state-of-the-art infrastructures, high quality services, and will enable users to conduct excellent research.
- The extent to which the Joint Research Activities will contribute to quantitative and qualitative improvements of the services provided by the infrastructures.

For the criterion Impact the second sub-criterion is substituted by:

- Where relevant, any substantial impacts not mentioned in the work programme, that would enhance innovation capacity; create new market opportunities, strengthen competitiveness and growth of companies, address issues related to climate change or the environment, or bring other important benefits for society;

Call Identifier: INFRAIA-03-2020

Name: Pilot for a new model of Integrating Activities

Scope:

- The main objective of this topic is the provision of access to research infrastructures and the harmonisation of national and European procedures for providing access.
- Proposals will mobilise a comprehensive group of several key research infrastructures in a given large domain as well as other stakeholders (e.g. public authorities, funding agencies, technological partners, research institutions).
- Proposals should include a plan and effective commitment towards the optimum integration of the research infrastructure services of the different but close communities under the Pilot scheme, as well as activities to monitor the related progress

- Atmósfera
- Micro-nano tecnologías para materiales
- Radio astronomía avanzada y Astronomía óptica/IR

Total Budget: 45 M€



Contribution per project: Up to 15 M€



Opening date: 28 November 2019



Deadline: 17 March 2020



Type of Action: Research & Innovation Action (RIA)

Call Identifier: INFRAINNOV-03-2020

Name: Co-Innovation platform for research infrastructure technologies

Scope:

- The aim is the establishment of an open initiative oriented towards a novel research and innovation collaborative framework engaging both the research communities in Europe using Research Infrastructures and the industry (including SMEs), for the mutual benefit of these stakeholders and the European society at large.
- Proposals under this topic should focus on the most promising outcomes of the past pilot action as well as on other valuable opportunities of exploitation of research infrastructure technologies for industrial applications, to further support their development and substantially raise their TRL.
- These opportunities should have breakthrough potential across Europe, be feasible and scalable, as well as exploitable for industrial applications having societal value.

2ª fase del proyecto ATTRACT, cuyo objetivo fue apoyar en una primera fase las pruebas de concepto de un gran número de propuestas innovadoras (100k€).

Total Budget: 35 M€



Contribution per project: Up to 35 M€



Opening date: 28 November 2019



Deadline: 17 March 2020



Type of Action: Research & Innovation Action (RIA)



GOBIERNO
DE ESPAÑA

MINISTERIO
DE CIENCIA, INNOVACIÓN
Y UNIVERSIDADES



Call Identifier: INFRAINNOV-04-2020

Name: Innovation pilots

Scope:

- The aim is to kick-start the implementation of a common strategy/roadmap for technological developments required for improving their services through partnership with industry.
- Proposals should then involve research infrastructures, industry and SMEs to promote innovation and knowledge sharing through co-creation of needed technical solutions and make use, when appropriate, of large-scale platforms combining R&D (Research and Development), integration and validation for the technological developments.
- Proposals should address:
 - The identification of key techniques and trends
 - The development of the identified fundamental technologies or techniques
 - The prototyping of higher performance methodologies, protocols, and instrumentation

- Tres áreas de innovación:
Fuentes de luz (CALIPSOplus)
Tecnologías de detectores para aceleradores (AIDA- 2020)
Tecnologías de aceleradores: ARIES

Total Budget: 60 M€



Contribution per project: Up to 10 M€



Opening date: 28 November 2019



Deadline: 17 March 2020



Type of Action: Research & Innovation Action (RIA)

Call Identifier: INFRASUPP-02-2020

Name: Strengthening the human capital of research infrastructures

Scope:

- The activity will support the training of both female and male staff managing and operating research infrastructures, the exchange of staff and best practices between facilities, and the adequate supply of skilled human resources, including through the development of specific education curricula and courses.
- A proposal should build on the past activities and the experience gained in projects such as RAMIRI (Realising and Managing International Research Infrastructures) and Rltrain (Research Infrastructures Training Programme) and presents a clear evolution.
- The activities should include the promotion of existing good practises at research infrastructures as well as dissemination and exploitation of successful experiences to a wider set of relevant stakeholders.

Total Budget: 2 M€



Contribution per project: Up to 2 M€



Opening date: 28 November 2019



Deadline: 17 March 2020



Type of Action: Coordination and Support Action (CSA)

Access to RI

EOSC Portal: www.eosc-portal.eu

The screenshot shows the homepage of the European Open Science Cloud (EOSC) portal. At the top left is the EOSC logo, which consists of a stylized globe with a blue and yellow color scheme. To the right of the logo is the text "EUROPEAN OPEN SCIENCE CLOUD". Further right is a navigation menu with the following items: "About", "Services & Resources", "Policy", "Documents", "EOSC in Practice", "Media", and "For providers". A search icon is located at the end of the menu.

The main content area features a large blue and black background with a starry pattern. The text "The European Open Science Cloud (EOSC)" is prominently displayed in white. Below this, a paragraph reads: "Offers 1.7 million European researchers and 70 million professionals in science and technology a virtual environment with open and seamless services for storage, management, analysis and re-use of research data, across borders and scientific disciplines." A link labeled "More about EOSC" is positioned below the paragraph.

Below the main content area is a section titled "ACCESS EOSC SERVICES & RESOURCES". This section contains eight icons arranged in a 2x4 grid, each with a corresponding label below it:

- Networking: An icon showing three computer monitors connected by lines.
- Compute: An icon showing a laptop with a gear.
- Storage: An icon showing a server rack.
- Sharing & Discovery: An icon showing a cloud with a magnifying glass.
- Data Management: An icon showing a document with a code symbol (</>).
- Processing & Analysis: An icon showing a smartphone with a circular analysis symbol.
- Security & Operations: An icon showing a shield with a fingerprint.
- Training & Support: An icon showing a person at a computer screen with two other people below.

Transnational Access/Virtual Access

- Página de la Comisión Europea: Listado, por dominio científico, de redes de Acceso Transnacional financiadas por el programa de infraestructuras:

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/infrastructures/index.cfm?pg=access>

- Búsqueda en Cordis por topic: 2020-INFRAIA-2018-1
- Pagina del proyecto europeo RICH (red de puntos nacionales de contacto del programa de infraestructuras): <http://www.rich2020.eu/>

TNA/VA Calls



[About](#) | [Rich Services](#) | [News & Events](#) | [Contact](#) | [Login](#)

Transnational & Virtual Access

The list hereunder includes all the on-going projects funded under FP7 and H2020 RI to open their research infrastructures to transnational/virtual researchers/users. These are the projects funded under the Integrating Activities part of the RI Work programme, some of the ESFRI projects (if access is granted to all researchers no matter if their country is member of the ESFRI RI) and some e-infrastructures (provided services are addressed to researchers and not to RIs or other e-infra).

For each project, a short description of the transnational/virtual activities is given as well as the deadline to submit a proposal to open call and a link to the project website and the TA&VA access webpage. The projects can be filtered by scientific domain and type of access (transnational or virtual).

[More information about Transnational Access](#)

[RICH: TA & VA Users' Testimonies](#)

Project Acronym <input type="text"/>	Domain e-Infrastructures Energy Engineering and Energy Environment and Earth Sciences Life sciences
Type of Access	Status

Horizon Europe

Overview of activities in H2020

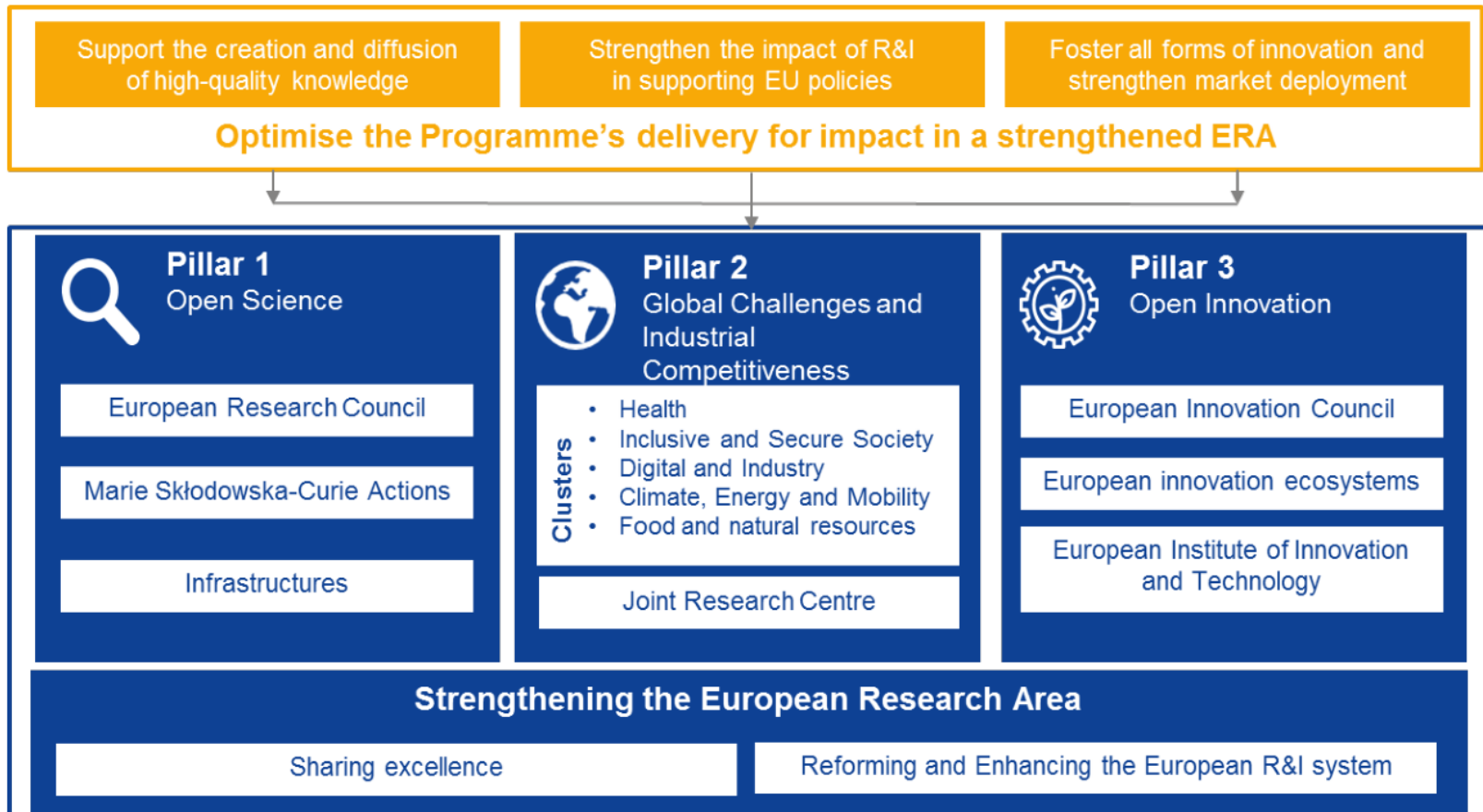
Activities		EU Contribution (M€)	% Total
ESFRI	ESFRI Preparatory Phases (incl. Early Phase support)	59	
	Individual support (incl. ESFRI Priority projects)	220	
	Clusters	177	
	Support to ESFRI Forum	3,5	
Total ESFRI		459,5	31%
Other	Design Studies	78	
	Integrating Activities	843	
	Other (EOSC, Innovation actions, International cooperation, policy support actions)	119,5	
Total Other		1040,5	69%
Total		~1500	100%



Horizon Europe

- The EU research and innovation framework programme (2021-2027)
 - to strengthen the EU's scientific and technological bases and the European Research Area (ERA) thanks to increased investment in highly skilled people and cutting-edge research.
 - to boost Europe's innovation capacity, competitiveness and jobs supporting market-creating innovation via the European Innovation Council and the European Institute of Innovation and Technology.
 - to deliver on citizens' priorities and sustain our socio-economic model and values, like climate change, and tackle global challenges that affect the quality of our daily lives.
- The European Commission proposes a budget of € 100 billion for Horizon Europe.

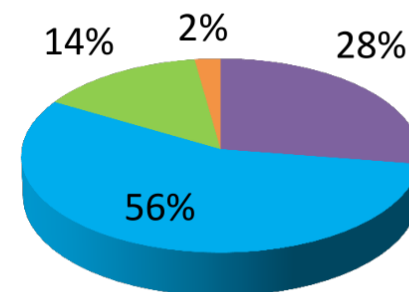
Specific objectives of the Programme



Budget proposal: no growth for RI

Budget distribution

HORIZON EUROPE		94,1
Pillar I «Open Science»		25,8
1. European Research Council		16,6
2. Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions		6,8
3. Research infrastructures		2,4
Pillar II «Global Challenges and Industrial Competitiveness»		52,7
1. Health		7,7
2. Inclusive and Secure Society		2,8
3. Digital and Industry		15
4. Climate, Energy and Mobility		15
5. Food and Natural Resources		10
Non-nuclear direct actions for the Joint Research Centre (JRC)		2,2
Pillar III «Open Innovation»		13,50
1. European Innovation Council		10,5
European Innovation Ecosystems		0,5
2. European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT)		3
«Strengthening the European Research Area»		2,1
Sharing Excellence		1,7
Reforming and Enhancing the European R&I System		0,4



- Open Science
- Global Challenges and Industrial Competitiveness
- Open Innovation
- Strengthening the ERA

RI in Horizon Europe

- The EU strategic approach of RI development has generated clear advantages, such as avoiding duplication of efforts, pooling resources, rationalising RI use, standardising processes and procedures as well as consolidating the global leadership of European RI.
- A number of outstanding issues have yet to be addressed in the forthcoming years

Areas of intervention

1. Consolidating the Landscape of European Research Infrastructures
2. Opening, Integrating and Interconnecting Research Infrastructures
3. The innovation potential of European Research Infrastructures and activities for innovation and training
4. Reinforcing European Research Infrastructure policy and International Cooperation

RI NCPs and Representative



Inmaculada Figueroa
MICINN
National Representative
RIC-H2020



Rosa M. Garcia
PSA-CIEMAT
NCP and Expert RIC- H2020
rm.garcia@ciemat.es



Esther Rodriguez
ISCIII
NCP RI H2020
erodriguez@eu-isciii.es

Thank you